XVIII. Application dated 12th November 1907 from Mr. H. Krishnachar requesting the sale of a piece of land adjoining his site behind Sowcar Bajjanna's Lines.

XIX. Letter No. 488, dated 11th December 1907, from the Chairman, City Improvement Trust Board, regarding the election of two Municipal Councillors as members of the Mysore City Improvement Trust Board.

XX. Chief Engineer's letter No. 6580, dated 16th September 1907, and correspondence connected therewith *re* prevention of waste and misuse of pipe water.

XXI. Consideration of bye-laws framed under Section 48 of the Municipal Regulation, No. VII of 1906.

XXII. Correspondence regarding the Municipal limits of the Mysore City.

G. HANUMANTHA RAO,
For *President.*

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

Notice dated 10th December 1907.

The Government Savings Bank depositors of the Shimoga District Treasury and the Taluk Treasuries, are requested to present or send their pass-books at their respective Treasuries for the entry of interest for 1906-07.

M. NARAIN RAO,
Dy. Comr., Treasury Dept.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTES OF INSPECTION OF THE ZAHIRUL ISLAM CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY AT MOLAKALMURU IN THE CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated 9th December 1907.

Date of inspection.—The Society was inspected on the 28th and 30th November 1907.

2. *Registration.*—It was started on the 28th April 1906, by a few Mahomedans of Molakalmuru who were enthusiastic about improving the condition of the local weavers, through the persuasion of Mr. Zahiruddin Meccai, Superintendent of Police.

3. *Objects and present work.*—The Society has at present chiefly confined itself to purchasing wholesale the silk and cotton yarns required by the weaver members of the Society. In the case of two of the members, Latchappa and Narnappa, both Hindu weavers, the Society has been advancing some money also as a loan. These members were indebted heavily to the sowcars at Rayadrug. The Society admitted them as members and encouraged them to continue their work, by advancing funds to them to a small extent and also giving them raw materials for manufacture. The manufactured goods are bought in for the Society at the market rates. Out of the total value of the goods thus purchased, the Society first deducts half their value towards their debts and advances funds to the remaining extent. Their houses worth about Rs. 350 have been mortgaged to the Society for the debts.

4. *Members.*—There are seventy-five members on the roll, forty-three being Mahomedans, thirty Hindu weavers, one Brahmin, and one sweet-meet seller. The forty-three Mahomedans may be arranged as follows:—

Pure weavers	... 30
Weaving and Government service	... 2
Pandit	... 1
Butcher	... 1
Government peons	... 4
Merchant	... 1
Carpenter	... 1
Schoolmaster	... 1
Cooly	... 1
Cultivator	... 1
Total	... 43

The thirty Hindu weavers who mostly joined in the month of October last have taken up 132 shares and have paid up to the end of November Rs. 96-8-0 none having as yet paid in full for their shares.

It was found that twenty-two members had joined prior to March 1907 and that subsequently the admissions were as follows :—

In May	...	1
In June	...	6
In October	...	44
In November	...	2
Total	...	53

5 *Capital* —The capital of the Society is divided into 1,000 shares of Rs. 10 each. The present number of members have taken up 574 shares, of which 301 have been fully paid up. The total capital collected up to 30th November 1907, is Rs. 3,657-0-7 of which the entrance fees amount to Rs. 26-8-0. There is some irregularity on the part of the members in punctually paying their instalments, but the rule relating to penalties for defaults of payment is not enforced just at present.

6. *Management.*—The working of the Society is managed by nine directors, of whom seven are Mahomedan weavers and one a Hindu weaver and one is a school-master.

The Revenue Sub-Division Officer and the Amildar of the taluk are the Honorary President and the Honorary Vice-President of the Society, respectively, permission for being so having been accorded by the Revenue Commissioner.

7. *Accounts and registers.* —The following registers were examined :—

Register of members.—In this register the thumb or other marks of twenty-two illiterate members have not yet been taken. Their register numbers are noted in the margin. The Agent has promised to obtain the signature at the earliest opportunity.

1, 10, 15, 16, 19, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 43, 50, 53, 54, 58, 57, 59, 62, 70 and 72.

Registers of applications for membership.—All the applications received are numbered and filed in a register. The first in order bears the number 23 and the last ends with number 75. The first twenty-two members seem to have been admitted without any formal applications, but all of them have paid a portion of their share amount, if not the whole.

Day Book.—This is the only record of all the transactions relating to the Society. Receipts and expenses of the Anjuman Society have also been included in the accounts of the Co-operative Society. The Secretary has been asked to enter these as deposits received and deposits withdrawn in the accounts of the Society. The cash on hand with the Treasurer on the 30th November was Rs. 118-15-10.

8. *Meetings.*—After the Society was started, two meetings have been held, one prior to the date of the registration of the Society and the other on the 19th November 1907.

Some of the accounts are written in Hindustani and some in Kanarese. This does not facilitate the checking of the accounts easily. From the 1st of January 1908, the Secretary has been directed to keep all the accounts in the form prescribed by the Registrar.

9. Taking the transactions of the Society from 1st March 1907 to 30th November 1907, the following is roughly the balance sheet for the period :—

Liabilities	Amount	Assets	Amount
	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
To share capital	3,630 8 7	Due from members for yarns	
„ Entrance fees	26 8 0	purchased from the Society	4,476 6 11
„ Due for yarn purchased for the Society—		Cash on hand	118 15 10
Mastan Sahib, Channapatna Rs. 482 1 5		Cost of yarn, etc., on hand ..	306 6 6
Mohadin Sab „ 201 2 5			
Total „ 683 3 10	683 3 10		
By profits	561 8 10		
Total ..	4,901 13 3	Total ..	4,901 13 3

10. *General remarks.*—The Society gets the silk yarn from Haider Sab and Mastan Sab at Channapatna, and money is sent to them at convenient intervals when the Society has funds. It gets the cotton yarn of 20's and 30's, which are the kinds consumed chiefly by the local weavers, from Murarjee Gokuldas and Lakshmi Cotton Company at Sholapur, money being paid in advance. Within ten days of the receipt of a consignment of yarn, the whole is distributed among the members. The time given for the members to pay the cost of silk yarn is from four to six months, and that of cotton one month. The Society has not yet framed any rule for cases of default, there being no instances of the kind hitherto.

Before the registration of the Society on 1st March 1907, the members divided certain profits among themselves about 1 per cent on the fully paid-up shares.

From the 1st March 1907 up to the 30th November 1907, the Society has purchased and sold 31 mds. 4¾ seers of silk yarn costing Rs. 5,112-7-4 and 7 bales of 20's and 30's cotton threads costing Rs. 1,498-9-6. The weavers of the place, both Hindus and Mahomedans, who are working in unison, appear to be largely appreciating the advantages of the Society in their midst. From the 1st March 1907 up to the end of November 1907, there has been a profit of about Rs. 561 to the Society. This augurs a bright future for the Society. Much credit is due to the Managing Directors and the Secretary for the efficient way in which they are managing the Society.

M. SHAMA RAO,
Registrar, Co-operative Societies in Mysore.

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENTS.

SANDALWOOD AUCTION SALE.

Notification dated 24th August 1907.

It is hereby notified for general information that the annual auction sales of sandalwood of the Mysore State will be held at the undermentioned places on the dates specified against each, by the Deputy Commissioner or other officer deputed by the Deputy Commissioner and the Forest Officer of the district :—

District	Koti	Date of auction sale	Approximate quantity in tons.
Shimoga ...	Tirthahalli ...	18th November 1907 (Monday) ...	200
	Sagar ...	21st November 1907 (Thursday) ...	150
	Shimoga ...	25th November 1907 (Monday) ...	500
Kadur ...	Tarikere ...	28th November 1907 (Thursday) ...	250
	Chikmagalur ...	2nd December 1907 (Monday) ...	350
Hassan ...	Hassan ...	5th December 1907, New Moon (Thursday) ...	150
Bangalore ...	Bangalore ...	9th December 1907 (Monday) ...	100
Mysore ..	Seringapatam ...	12th December 1907 (Thursday) ...	250
	Hunsur ...	16th December 1907 (Monday) ...	500
		Total ...	2,450

2. Details as to quantities and lots to be exposed for sale in each koti together with other particulars will be published hereafter about the end of October next.